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FOR ARA-STEDMAN: L-FELDMAN AND S/CCT-ISHAM FROM AMBASSADOR

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, VE, PDIP  
SUBJECT: EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON CUBAN TERRORISTS

REF: A) CARACAS 12418; B) CARACAS 11010; C) STATE 264677;  
D) CARACAS 7803 AND E) CARACAS 7549

1. RECENT BOMBINGS OF VENEZUELAN INSTALLATIONS IN US AND GOV REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PROTECTION (REFTEL A) UNDERSCORE RELEVANCE AND URGENCY OF THE QUESTION OF CUBAN TERRORISM AND VENEZUELAN WHICH WE DISCUSSED IN AMBASSADOR'S STEDMAN'S OFFICE IN EARLY DECEMBER. THESE INCIDENTS WILL SURELY REAWAKEN PRESIDENT PEREZ' CONCERN AND REFOCUS HIS INTEREST ON THE ISSUE, AND I HAVE LITTLE DOUBT BUT THAT HE WILL AGAIN PRESS US FOR SOME SORT OF COOPERATION AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE AS WELL AS ACTION BY US TO CONTROL THIS TERRORISM.

2. THERE ARE SEVERAL THINGS TO BE NOTED ABOUT THIS ISSUE:

A) THE RECENT INCIDENTS DEMONSTRATE THAT CUBAN EXILE TERRORISM IS IN FACT SOMETHING TO

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WORRY ABOUT AND WAS NOT A PASSING PHENOMENON; IT DOES EXIST AND IT HAS A CAPACITY TO OPERATE AT WILL. THE LIKELIHOOD IS GOOD THAT THE TERRORIST INCIDENTS WILL CONTINUE EITHER IN THE US OR IN VENEZUELA, OR IN BOTH PLACES, SINCE THEY ARE TIED TO A CAMPAIGN TO OBTAIN BOSCH'S RELEASE.

B) SINCE THE INCIDENTS TOOK PLACE-- AND THE

CUBAN TERRORISTS ARE APPARENTLY LOCATED --ON US SOIL,THEY RAISE THE QUESTION OF THE USG'S INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS.

C). THE SITUATION UNDERSTANDABLY CAUSES SERIOUS CONCERN IN VENEZUELA, AND QUITE NATURALLY FOCUSES ATTENTION ON WHAT WE NOW DO. IF THE INCIDENTS CONTINUE, OR IF WE DO NOT APPEAR ABLE TO AVOID THEM OR TO COOPERATE WITH THE GOV, VENEZUELAN CONCERN WILL EVOLVE INTO IRRITATION AND FINALLY INTO SUSPICION. IN SHORT THIS MATTER HAS THE MAKINGS OF A MAJOR ISSUE BETWEEN US.

D) THE DEMONSTRATED CAPACITY OF THE CUBAN EXILES TO CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES THAT IMPACT ON OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS, AND THE FACT THAT THEY ARE PRIMARILY LOCATED IN US, POINTS TO THE NECESSITY--IN MY VIEW --OF SOME INTER-AGENCY MECHANISM TO GATHER, COLLATE AND COORDINATE INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION FROM VARIOUS AGENCIES, IN ORDER TO ASSESS, PLAN AND TAKE APPROPRIATE COORDINATED ACTION ON THE THREAT.

3. I HOPE, THEREFORE, THAT--IN ADDITION TO PREVENTING TERRORIST ACTS ON US SOIL--SOME PROMPT ACTION CAN BE TAKEN TO DEVELOP AND ASSESS INFORMATION IN SOME COORDINATED, COMPREHENSIVE FASHION, AND TO TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES IN THE LIGHT THEREOF, INCLUDING SYSTEMATIC COOPERATION AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE WITH VENEZUELA AND OTHER INDICATED COUNTRIES.

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